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President George Bush
The White House

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Dear Mr. President:

As Vice-President these past eight years you will be familiar with the case of Raoul Wallenberg, especially after October 5, 1981, when Raoul became honorary citizen of the United States in an impressing Rose Garden ceremony.

We were very hopeful then, as President Reagan assured us that America would do everything in its power to get Raoul released. Inspite of America's and other countries actions and efforts, Raoul is still not part of Glasnost.

Could it be that Mr. Gorbachev is being kept unaware of Raoul's fate? You must have more inside knowledge than we have, but our limited knowledge tells us that Mr. Gorbachev does not control the bureaucrats in the KGB and that there are close advisers, interested in keeping the old story of the 1957 note alive, refusing to deviate from the

It is not just that indications reaching us point to Raoul's survival - they are simply too precise to be ignored: there ARE 'Camps of Silence', where prisoners have been kept since the era of Stalin, some as long as from 1938, dead to the world. In one of these camps there are 60-70 men of various nationalities, most Polish, and one of these men is Raoul.

Until recently there was a TABOO regarding the murders of KATYN, There seems still to be a taboo as to the camps of silence, officially non-existent.

At a time when the Soviet Union is planning a Human Rights Conference, we think it would be appropriate for the United States to exert pressure to the benefit of Raoul.

Raoul Wallenberg deserves more than honorary citizenship - he deserves to be saved by the United States, who sent him, 45 years ago, on a mission to Budapest to save as many lives as possible. He saved thousands and thousands, and there he is somewhere in the Soviet Union, abandoned by a world constantly paying tribute to him and his deeds, but withholding the help he bitterly needs.

Dear Mr. President, over the years we have asked, we have hoped and appealed. Now we expect from the United States to rescue Raoul Wallenberg, by convincing Mr. Gorbachev, who would gain world wide good will, to release him.

Sincerely yours,

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